

**U. S. DOE Modular Emergency Response Radiological Transportation Training  
(MERRTT) Workshop**

This 8-hour workshop will provide an overview of the Department of Energy Transportation Emergency Preparedness Program (TEPP) and a detailed review the Modular Emergency Response Radiological Transportation Training (MERRTT) program. Topics covered during the training will include radiation basics, DOE resources, emergency response considerations, specifics on the packaging and transportation of radioactive material. This course is intended for persons responsible for the training of law enforcement agencies, fire departments, hazardous materials technicians, bomb squads, public health services, emergency medical service personnel, or other emergency management personnel. At the end of the workshop, students will be provided a copy of the MERRTT CD containing all 18 training modules, videos, and exercise scenarios.

DATE OFFERED: Monday, April 11, 2005  
TIME: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
LOCATION: Fir/Elm Meeting Room

## **Emergency Preparedness Communications Workshop**

*(Sponsored by: Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI))*

Emergency communications should be an integral part of your emergency response organization. Public confidence is based on the messages and interactions plant operators have with the regulators, employees, media and the public. It is essential to maintain an accurate and timely flow of information from the plant to the Joint Information Center (JIC) and from the JIC to the media and the public. The NEI emergency preparedness communications training course is designed to share current thinking on security and emergency preparedness communications. We'll also cover emergency public information and JIC requirements. Focus will be placed on lessons learned from communication deficiencies and ARCAs. The training course will give participants the opportunity to compare how your peers are implementing the various aspects of their programs, including successes or difficulties they may be experiencing.

### **Course Description:**

8:00 - Noon

- I. Teamwork in the Joint Information Center (JIC)
- II. What Is Required: JIC Functions
- III. Training, Drills and Exercises
- IV. Lessons Learned

Noon – 1:00 PM – Lunch

1:00 – 5:00 PM

- V. NRC Communications and Out reach
- VI. Communication Challenges Today
  - A. Emergency Alert System (EAS) Messages
  - B. Security Related Issues
  - C. Radiological Releases
- VII. Emergency Public Information
- VIII. Q&A Open Session and Wrap Up

### **Who should attend?**

Offsite state and local communication managers, supervisors and communicators of off-site emergency preparedness programs  
Emergency Public Information and Joint Information Center Coordinators  
Communication spokespersons, writers, specialists  
Emergency preparedness coordinators  
Communications trainers

**For additional information** on the content of this training workshop, you may contact:

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**National Response Plan-Radiological Annex and  
National Incident Management System (NIMS) – Overview/Training**

In Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD)-5, the President directed the development of a new National Response Plan (NRP) to align Federal coordination structures, capabilities, and resources into a unified, all-discipline, and all-hazards approach to domestic incident management. On January 6, 2005, Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Secretary Tom Ridge formally announced publication of the new National Response Plan. While the NRP itself creates no new authorities, it serves to unify and enhance the incident management capabilities and resources of individual agencies and organizations acting under their own authorities in response to a wide array of potential threats and hazards.

One facet of this plan, which is of particular interest to the Radiological Emergency Preparedness (REP) community is the Nuclear/Radiological Incident Annex to the NRP. This annex describes how Federal agencies support the DHS overall coordination of the response to nuclear/radiological incidents, to include the response to an accident/incident involving a commercial nuclear power plant.

This half-day workshop is designed to provide participants with an overview of the new National Response Plan (NRP) and the Nuclear/Radiological Incident Annex to the NRP. It will also address the National Incident Management System (NIMS). The workshop will also specifically focus on Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) plans to modify existing emergency/incident plans to align with the NRP. The workshop will conclude with the discussion of possible accident/incident scenarios and how the NRC and other agencies would respond under the NRP and NIMS.

DATE OFFERED: Monday, April 11, 2005  
TIME: 8:00 a.m. to 1200 p.m.  
LOCATION: Pennsylvania Ballroom

## **Emergency Preparedness Initiatives Post-9/11**

*(Sponsored by FEMA and NRC)*

Description: Since the early 1980's nuclear power plant EP programs have focused on response to accidents and have ensured a high level of emergency preparedness on- and offsite. However, FEMA and NRC have identified enhancements that are appropriate in the current threat environment. These enhancements address scenarios not routinely considered and are intended to improve the interface between licensees and offsite response organizations during a response to a terrorist-based scenario.

This half-day workshop will be conducted as a "Town Hall Meeting" to inform attendees of the issues associated with response to terrorist acts and to discuss enhancements. Input will be sought from attendees to guide implementation of enhancements and to seek innovative solutions. Additionally, FEMA and NRC management will discuss long term efforts to update EP regulations and guidance.

The workshop will be an interactive outreach effort and not classroom style training.

DATE OFFERED: Monday, April 11, 2005

TIME: 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Pennsylvania Ballroom